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## Public Utilities Commission

### Minutes of Open Meeting Held on September 1, 2020

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. in Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island to discuss, deliberate, and/or vote on the following dockets

In attendance: Chairman Ronald Gerwatowski, Todd Bianco, Alan Nault and Luly Massaro. Remotely: Commissioner Marion Gold, Commissioner Abigail Anthony, Cynthia Wilson-Frias and Patricia Lucarelli.

- I. Chairman Gerwatowski called the Open Meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. A quorum was present.
- II. **Docket No. 5012 – Kent County Water Authority** – This docket relates to the Kent County Water Authority’s abbreviated rate application. The PUC considered the Amended Settlement Agreement between the Kent County Water Authority and the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers was submitted August 25, 2020. After review, Commissioner Gold moved to accept the Amended Settlement Agreement and moved to approve Kent County Water’s proposed rate schedule for effect September 1, 2020. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
- III. **Renewable Energy Resource Eligibility Applications** – The PUC reviewed and ruled on the applications submitted in the following dockets:

**Docket No. 5036 – Ecogy RI, LLC’s** application for eligibility of the Ecogy 99 Hartford Ave Contech Medical Rooftop Solar Project, a 0.231 MW solar facility located in Providence, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource. Chairman Gerwatowski moved to accept the PUC Consultant's recommendation to conditionally approve the application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gold and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 5037 – Ecogy Energy RI, LLC’s** application for eligibility of the Ecogy 575 Lonsdale Ave HB Packing Rooftop Solar Project, a 0.231 MW solar facility located in Central Falls, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource. Chairman Gerwatowski moved to accept the PUC Consultant's recommendation to conditionally approve the application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gold and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 5038 – Ecogy Energy RI X, LLC’s** application for eligibility of the Ecogy 30 Cutler Street Windsor Rooftop Solar Project, a 0.1998 MW solar facility located in Warren, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource. Chairman Gerwatowski moved to accept the PUC Consultant's recommendation to conditionally approve the application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gold and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- IV. Chairman Gerwatowski recused himself from participation in Docket No. 4755 and left the Open Meeting at 2:08 P.M.
- V. **Docket No. 4755 – The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid** - The PUC reviewed the Settlement Agreement entered on June 18, 2020 by and between National Grid and the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers. The Settlement Agreement addresses costs that were charged to the Electric Energy Efficiency Fund and process relating to the administration and delivery of Combined Heat and Power (CHP) projects within energy efficiency. After deliberation, the following motions were made:
- a.) Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the Settlement Agreement. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 2-0.**
- b.) Commissioner Anthony moved that the PUC direct National Grid to credit the electric energy efficiency fund the amount of \$453,760; \$226,880 of which shall be a shareholder funded contribution reduction to its 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Program. Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 2-0.**
- c.) Commissioner Anthony shall National Grid to clearly identified the \$226,880 of shareholder funded contribution reduction in its 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Program Charge. Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 2-0.**
- d.) Commissioner Anthony moved that National Grid continue to comply and implement all process improvements that were identified in the Settlement Agreement. Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 2-0.**
- VI. There being no further business to consider, Chairman Gerwatowski adjourned the Open Meeting at 2:14 P.M. A video of the Open Meeting discussion can be accessed at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg>